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SYSTEM FOR SCHEDULED CACHING OF IN-BAND DATA SERVICES

AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Applicant has reviewed the final Office Action mailed May 23, 2000. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 8 and 24 without prejudice or disclaimer thereto.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A computerized-system for scheduled caching of in-band data broadcast in a channel comprising:

a real-time scheduling process; and

a user initiated scheduling process operable for determining a scheduled time and channel for an in-band data broadcast, and for invoking the real-time scheduling process to schedule execution of a caching process at approximately the scheduled time, wherein the caching process is operable for powering-on the tuning circuitry, for instructing tuner circuitry to tune to the scheduled channel, for receiving the in-band data from the tuning circuitry regardless of the presence of a user, and for storing the in-band data for subsequent processing, whereby the information may subsequently be retrieved and viewed or used by the user.

9. (Twice Amended) A method of scheduled caching of in-band data broadcast in a channel comprising the steps of:

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